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WALKER TO PARTICIPATE IN SUPPORTIVE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT GROUND BREAKING

MILWAUKEE – County Executive Scott Walker will participate in the ground breaking ceremony for Capuchin Apartments - the latest supportive housing development partnership in Milwaukee County. The project sponsor, Heartland Housing, Inc., and St. Ben's Community Meal are hosting the event today at 11AM at 2501 W. Fond du Lac Avenue.

"The collaboration of federal, state, county, city, and community organizations has created yet another safe and affordable option for those who are at risk of homelessness," said Walker. "Each new development helps meet the critical need for our most vulnerable residents."

Capuchin Apartments will create 38 permanent supportive housing units designed to serve individuals and couples who face barriers in living in traditional housing settings. People faced with homelessness, mental health issues and very low incomes will have on-site services to help them maximize their independence and access other community resources. Heartland's management model emphasizes the need for property management and case management professionals to work closely together.

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